

DMV, STATE AND FEDERAL PROGRAMS DIRECTORY

Employer Testing Program:

- Questions regarding the Employer Testing Program.
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Employer Testing Program
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Employer Testing Program
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Commercial Driver License Unit:

- Questions regarding the commercial drivers license application process, and special certificates.
Department of Motor Vehicles
Commercial Driver License Unit
P.O. Box 942890, M/S G204
Sacramento, CA 94290-0001
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Intrastate Audits Section:

- Questions regarding ETP audit or inspection review.
Department of Motor Vehicles
Intrastate Audits Section
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Sacramento, CA 94290-0001
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Employer Pull Notice Program:

- Questions regarding the Employer Pull Notice Program.
Department of Motor Vehicles
Employer Pull Notice Program
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Driver Safety Review Unit:

- Questions regarding medical qualifications on medical examination for commercial drivers.

Department of Motor Vehicles
Driver Safety Review Unit
P.O. Box 942890, M/S J234
Sacramento, CA 94290-0001
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Customer Communication Unit:

- Questions regarding Commercial Drivers License Policy and Test questions.

Department of Motor Vehicles
Customer Communication Unit
P.O. Box 932345, M/S C165
Sacramento, CA 94232-3450
Phone number: (916) 657-6560

Motor Carrier Permit Unit:

- Questions regarding motor carriers of property.

Department of Motor Vehicles
Motor Carrier Permit Unit
P.O. Box 932370, M/S G875
Sacramento, CA 94232-3700
Phone number: (916) 657-8153

California Highway Patrol:

- For questions on equipment, commercial vehicles, motor carrier safety regulations, and state drug testing requirements.

Department of California Highway Patrol
Commercial Vehicle Section
P.O. Box 942898
Sacramento, CA 94298-0001
Phone number: (916) 445-1865
FAX number: (916) 446-4579

Information on Hazardous Materials:

- For questions regarding Hazardous materials.

Department of California Highway Patrol
Hazardous Materials Section
Phone number: (916) 327-3310
FAX number: (916) 446-4870

COMMERCIAL DRIVER LICENSE REFERENCES

- Employer Testing Program Handbook – Revision 2004
- Commercial Driver License Examiner Training Workbook
- California Commercial Driver Handbook Revision 2003
- State of California Vehicle Code 2003, Section 15250

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Definitions

Driving Test: The driving test is a performance test that consists of three components, a pre-trip inspection, skills test, and road test.
Employee: Employee means a person who performs services for wages or salary under a contract of employment, expressed or implied for an Employer. (CA Labor Code §1132.2). In addition, a volunteer of an Employer who has an established volunteer workforce will be considered an employee, provided the Employer has covered the employee under their Workers Compensation Insurance policy, and the employee has coverage under the Employer's liability insurance policy. (Example: Volunteer Fire Department)
Certified Driver: A driver that has been issued a Certificate of Driving Skill (DL170ETP, Rev 11/02) by his or her Employer for the purpose of waiving the department administered driving test portion of the commercial driver testing process.
Employer Testing Program: The State of California's third-party commercial driver testing program. California Vehicle Code §15250(c) grants DMV the authority to authorize third party testers to conduct the commercial driving test portion of the commercial driver license process.
Employer: A California sole proprietor, partnership, company, corporation, association, government entity or any other entity that meets the enrollment criteria to participate in the Employer Testing Program.
Governmental Employer: The United States Government or any subdivision, department, court or agency thereof; the state of any subdivision, department, court or agency thereof, including special districts, school districts, the Board of Regents of the University of California; or any city, county, city and county, or any agency or subdivision thereof.
Route Approval: A review of an Employer's primary and alternate driving test routes to ensure that each route meets the requirements set forth by the DMV for use by the Employer Testing Program participants.
Testing Location: A place of business in California from where an Employer is authorized by DMV to conduct driving tests utilizing the DMV approved primary and alternate driving test routes.
Third-Party Tester: An Employer with a place of business in California that is authorized by the DMV to conduct commercial behind the wheel driving test for their employees on behalf of the DMV. California Vehicle Code §15250(c) grants DMV the authority to authorize third-party testers to conduct the commercial driving test.

ACRONYMS

DMV	Department of Motor Vehicles
ETP	Employer Testing Program
CDL	Commercial Driver License
FMCSA	Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration
CMVSA	Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Administration
EPN	Employer Pull Notice
DPE	Driving Performance Evaluation
EN	Employer Number
AAMVA	American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators
GVWR	Gross Vehicle Weight Rating
MCP	Motor Carrier Permit Unit

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CALIFORNIA DRIVER LICENSE CLASSES—Valid As Of January 1, 2004

YOU MAY DRIVE...	AND YOU MAY TOW...	EXAMPLES...
WITH A CLASS A LICENSE: Any legal combination of vehicles, including vehicles under Class B and Class C.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> any single vehicle with a Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR) of more than 10,000 lbs. any trailer bus, with endorsement OR more than one vehicle, with endorsement any vehicles under Class B and C 	
WITH A CLASS A FIRE FIGHTER LICENSE: Only Class A defined combination fire fighting vehicles and all vehicles listed under Class C and Class B.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a single vehicle with a GVWR of more than 10,000 lbs. any vehicle under Class C and Class B more than one vehicle, with endorsement 	
WITH A CLASS A NONCOMMERCIAL LICENSE: Any vehicles under Class C.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> travel trailers weighing over 10,000 lbs. GVWR, not used for hire. 5th-wheel travel trailers weighing over 15,000 lbs., not used for hire. <i>With a vehicle weighing 4,000 lbs. or more unladen, you may tow a: livestock trailer exceeding 10,000 lbs. GVWR but not exceeding 15,000 lbs. GVWR if the vehicle is controlled and operated by a farmer, used to transport livestock to or from a farm, not used in commerce or contract carrier operations, and is used within 150 miles of the person's farm.</i> 	
WITH A CLASS B LICENSE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a single vehicle with a GVWR of more than 26,000 lbs. a 3-axle vehicle weighing over 6,000 lbs. gross a bus (except a trailer bus), with endorsement any farm labor vehicle, with endorsement all vehicles under Class C 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a single vehicle with a GVWR of 10,000 lbs. or less any vehicle under Class C 	
WITH A CLASS B FIRE FIGHTER LICENSE: Only a Class B defined single fire fighting vehicle and all the vehicles listed under Class C.		
WITH A CLASS B NONCOMMERCIAL LICENSE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> any vehicles under Class C any housecar over 40' but not over 45', with endorsement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a single vehicle with a GVWR of 10,000 lbs. or less including a tow dolly, if used. <i>With a vehicle weighing 4,000 lbs. or more unladen, you may tow a:</i> trailer coach not exceeding 9,000 lbs. gross. trailer coach or 5th-wheel travel trailer under 10,000 lbs. GVWR when towing is not for compensation. 5th-wheel travel trailer exceeding 10,000 lbs. but not exceeding 15,000 lbs. GVWR, when towing is not for compensation and with endorsement. <p>NOTE: No passenger vehicle regardless of weight, may tow more than one vehicle. No motor vehicle under 4,000 lbs. unladen may tow any vehicle weighing 6,000 lbs. or more gross. (VC §21715)</p>	
WITH A CLASS C LICENSE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a 2-axle vehicle with a GVWR of 26,000 lbs. or less a 3-axle vehicle weighing 6,000 lbs. or less gross any housecar of 40' or less <i>A farmer or employee of a farmer may also drive:</i> any combination of vehicles with a Gross Combination Weight Rating (GCWR) of 26,000 lbs. or less if used exclusively in agricultural operations and it is not for hire or compensation. 	<p>NOTE: No passenger vehicle regardless of weight, may tow more than one vehicle. No motor vehicle under 4,000 lbs. unladen may tow any vehicle weighing 6,000 lbs. or more gross. (VC §21715)</p>	
WITH A CLASS C COMMERCIAL LICENSE: Any Class C vehicle carrying hazardous materials which requires placards. The hazardous materials (HAZMAT) endorsement must be on the license. Drivers who transport hazardous wastes, as defined by VC §§353 and 15278, are also required to have the HAZMAT endorsement.	A motorcycle trailer.	
WITH A CLASS M1 LICENSE: Two-wheel motorcycle or motor-driven cycle.	<p>NOTE: Class M1 or M2 is added to any other class license after passing law and skill tests.</p>	
WITH A CLASS M2 LICENSE: Motorized bicycle, moped, or any bicycle with an attached motor.		